

HOUSE BILL 854

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE; ALLOWING SMALL ALTERNATIVE
AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE SIZE ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM
UNITS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 22-8-23 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1975,
Chapter 119, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

"22-8-23. SIZE ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM UNITS.--

A. An approved public school with a MEM of less
than 400, including early childhood education full-time-
equivalent MEM but excluding membership in class C and class D
programs and excluding full-time-equivalent membership in
three- and four-year-old developmentally disabled programs, is
eligible for additional program units. [~~Separate schools
established to provide special programs, including but not~~

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1 ~~limited to vocational and alternative education, shall not be~~
2 ~~classified as public schools for purposes of generating size~~
3 ~~adjustment program units.]~~ The number of additional program
4 units to which a school district is entitled under this
5 subsection is the sum of elementary-junior high units and
6 senior high units computed in the following manner:

7 Elementary-Junior High Units

$$8 \quad \underline{200 - MEM} \times 1.0 \times MEM = \text{Units}$$

9 200

10 where MEM is equal to the membership of an approved elementary
11 or junior high school, including early childhood education
12 full-time-equivalent membership but excluding membership in
13 class C and class D programs and excluding full-time-equivalent
14 membership in three- and four-year-old developmentally disabled
15 programs;

16 Senior High Units

$$17 \quad \underline{200 - MEM} \times 2.0 \times MEM = \text{Units}$$

18 200

19 or,

20 Senior High Units

$$21 \quad \underline{400 - MEM} \times 1.6 \times MEM = \text{Units}$$

22 400

23 whichever calculation for senior high units is higher, where
24 MEM is equal to the membership of an approved senior high
25 school excluding membership in class C and class D programs.

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1 B. A school district with total MEM of less than
2 4,000, including early childhood education full-time-equivalent
3 MEM, is eligible for additional program units. The number of
4 additional program units to which a school district is entitled
5 under this subsection is the number of district units computed
6 in the following manner:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{District Units} \\ & \frac{4000 - \text{MEM}}{4000} \times 0.15 \times \text{MEM} = \text{Units} \end{aligned}$$

10 where MEM is equal to the total district membership,
11 including early childhood education full-time-equivalent
12 membership.

13 C. A school district with over 10,000 MEM with a
14 ratio of MEM to senior high schools less than 4,000:1 is
15 eligible for additional program units based on the number of
16 approved regular senior high schools that are not eligible for
17 senior high units under Subsection A of this section. The
18 number of additional program units to which an eligible school
19 district is entitled under this subsection is the number of
20 units computed in the following manner:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{4000 - \text{MEM}}{\text{Senior High Schools}} \times 0.50 = \text{Units} \end{aligned}$$

23 where MEM is equal to the total district membership, including
24 early childhood education full-time-equivalent membership, and
25 where senior high schools are equal to the number of approved

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